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1. YOU MAY ENDORSE FRG SUGGESTION THAT CSCE COST SHARING FORMULA BE ADOPTED AS BASIS FOR EAST/WEST SHARING OF COMMON MBFR COSTS IN VIENNA. FRG SUGGESTION OF APPLYING 1.33 WEIGHT TO HELSINKI NATIONAL SHARES STRIKES US AS REASON-ABLE.

2. WE CONTINUE TO OPPOSE IDEA OF ANY AUSTRIAN OR EAST/WEST SECRETARIAT FOR THE MBFR NEGOTIATIONS AS UNNECESSARY DRAIN ON SCARCE MANPOWER RESOURCES. YOU SHOULD EMPHASIZE TO BELGIAN REP AND OTHERS THAT WE SEE NO NEED FOR AUSTRIAN "SECRETARIAT" EXCEPT IN THE NARROW SENSE OF WHATEVER INTERNAL ARRANGEMENTS THE AUSTRIANS JUDGE APPROPRIATE TO MANAGE PREMISES AND INTERPRETERS CONNECTED WITH AUSTRIAN SUPPORT OF THE NEGOTIATIONS. RUSH

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